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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

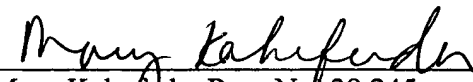
Sir:

The Final Office Action of May 11, 2004 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on August 11, 2004. A one-month extension of time to September 11, 2004 is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Applicants' credit card in the amount of \$110.00 for payment of the extension fee. Enclosed is a Credit Card Payment Form for fee purposes. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1744 in the name of Syngenta Biotechnology, Inc.

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